

Open Housing Law Effective on Thursday

By G. C. THELEN Jr., Associated Press Writer
WASHINGTON (AP) — The 1968 open housing law becomes fully effective Thursday, buttressed by a pledge of vigorous enforcement from the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

On New Year's Day, approximately 34 million single-family homes will be added to the 20 million apartments, multi-family houses, and new subdivision homes already covered by the first two stages of the fair housing statute.

"We intend to demonstrate to the people that we really intend to enforce the statute," said Samuel J. Simmons, assistant HUD secretary for equal opportunity.

Simmons pledged HUD in 1970 would at least double the 16 "pattern or practice" housing discrimination cases referred to the Justice Department for prosecution in 1969. Eight suits were subsequently filed.

"Pattern or practice" cases can involve such things as a real estate brokers' association that deliberately steers Negro homeowners away from certain neighborhoods or an apartment house owner who shuns black applicants.

Simmons also plans a stepped-up education campaign that he expects will lead to a substantial increase over the 927 individual complaints processed by HUD this year.

Of these, there have been 94 successful conciliations where many minority persons got the identical or similar house or apartment they were at first denied, he said. Damages also were paid in some of the cases.

Combined with a 1968 Supreme Court ruling, the fair housing act gives the government enforcement power over virtually all racial discrimination in the sale, rental, advertising, and financing of housing. But HUD farms out individual complaints to nine states with federal acceptable open housing laws and enforcement.

Excluded from the housing law are approximately 15 million units. These include owner-occupied, two-to-four apartment dwellings—the so-called "Mrs. Murphy's boarding house" exemption—and single-family homes sold or rented by the owner without a broker and without discriminatory advertising.

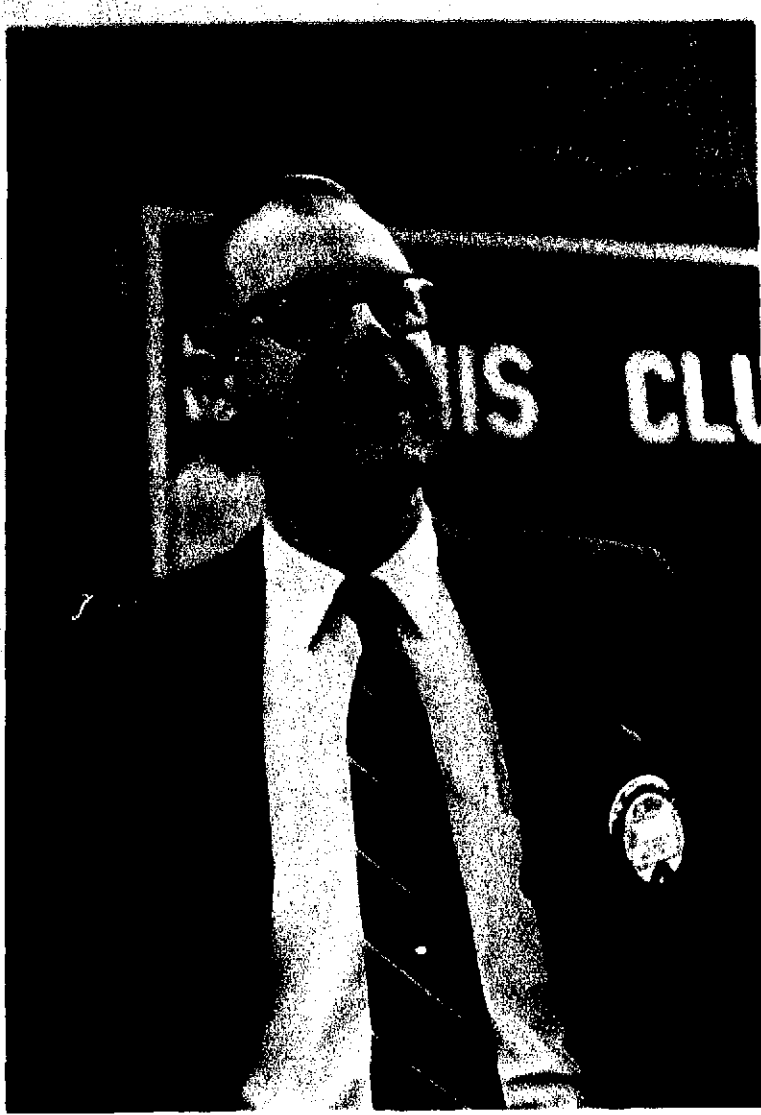
However, some of these 15 million probably are covered by last year's high court ruling that an 1866 federal act outlaws racial discrimination in all housing without exception, Simmons said.

The 1968 Housing Act was timed so that only units built with federal assistance were covered in the first year. Approximately 20 million units of multi-family and new subdivision housing were added automatically a year ago.

The act outlaws the denial of housing rentals, sales, financing, and brokerage service because of race, color, religion, or marital status.

Lots of cheer this coming year

Pilkinton Is Speaker



— Henry Haynes photo with Star Camera

JAMES H. PILKINTON

At Tuesday's meeting of the Hope Kiwanis Club, Kiwanian James H. Pilkinton chairman of Laws and Regulations Committee of the local club was the speaker.

Kiwanis International has certain requirements of all its clubs, one being legal incorporation. The local club was incorporated some years ago, but incorrectly

Nixon Plans to Just Sign Up to Vote

By FRANK CORMIER, Associated Press Writer
SAN CLEMENTE, Calif. (AP) — Declaring that he arrived with a clean briefcase, President Nixon says he'll make but one public appearance while in California—to register as a local voter.

Leaving the slush and snow of Washington, Nixon flew here Tuesday with wife Pat and daughter Tricia for a holiday stay of a couple of weeks at their seaside home.

After Air Force One set down at El Toro Marine Air Station, Nixon told a welcoming crowd of several thousand:

"While we are here we'll only participate in one public event. The three of us are going to register as voters in California, our home state."

In 1968, Nixon, his wife and Tricia cast absentee ballots as registered voters in New York. They have not voted since.

Having sold his Manhattan apartment, Nixon had a choice between establishing his voting residence here or in Key Biscayne, Fla., where he owns two adjoining houses. As had been expected, he has tipped the balance in favor of his native California.

The President postponed the start of his holiday stay for four days and remained in Washington to settle major budget decisions.

Rain Melting Snow Poses Flood Problem

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
Torrents of rain dissolving tons of snow have sent normally placid streams and rivers surging from their banks forcing hundreds of mountain residents to flee their homes in Virginia, West Virginia, Tennessee and Kentucky.

Tennessee authorities reported three dead as a result of flooding Tuesday.

The rains, pounding some areas for three days, pushed creeks out of their banks and into the streets of a number of small towns in Virginia and water was creeping into several others in West Virginia.

Hardest hit by the flooding appeared to be Lee and Wise counties in Virginia and areas along the Cumberland River in Kentucky, where 200 persons were evacuated from their homes by National Guardsmen.

Virginia State Police said Lee County was nearly isolated with all transportation arteries severed by flooding and landslides. In Pennington Gap, rescuers braved driving rain and darkness during the night to steer refugees from flooded areas.

A number of persons were rescued from atop their cars, stranded in the middle of flooded highways.

Small mountain hamlets in all four states were evacuated. Scores of upriver homes were reported flooded to window level by late Tuesday and many large communities downstream in the path of rising waters were put on evacuation alert for this afternoon.

National Guardsmen, Civil Defense officials and others were sent scurrying to build dikes and sandbag barricades to help fend off the oncoming high water.

Coal mines in the Virginia mountains were closed down Tuesday when water cascaded down from the mountains as rain ate away at snow that had been piled as deep as 18 inches.

The Clinch River Tuesday night approached record levels and in the town of Clinchport, Va., water rushed through the streets at a depth of more than six feet. The river was reported to be rising at a rate of seven inches per hour with rains still falling.

WHOLESALE (from page one)

which Korean War wage-price controls were imposed. Another rise in living costs in December equal to the 11-month average so far in 1969 would push the rise in living costs to the highest since 1947's 9.1 per cent after World War II wage-price controls were lifted.

"At this point, we have the beginnings of the worst of all possibilities—the danger of recession without any slowdown in prices," said Goldfinger in expressing the labor federation's opposition to the Nixon anti-inflation policies.

AFL-CIO President George Meany has said only federal controls on all prices, wages and other income would halt sharply rising prices.

The Nixon administration has rejected any thought of wage-price controls.

THIS MIDDLE-AGED (from page one)

make a 13-inch incision?" "Yes, I did tell you that," agreed the doctor. "But I thought that would be a little secret just between us."

After that I tried manfully to keep my big mouth shut, but during four weeks of home convalescence I somehow leaked the details of my operation to 50 or 60 of my closest friends via the telephone. After that, everyone I called seemed to have his phone off the hook.

Then, off the crutches and leaning on a cane, I returned to the office. After two days of standing on one leg showing my scar to envious fellow workers, I am now ready to start work. Incidentally, if you'd like to have a photograph of my incision, they are available at \$2 the single copy, \$1.50 apiece in group lots of 100 or more.

Incidentally, I have become disillusioned by the attitude of people I have tried to interest in the tale of my ordeal. That doesn't interest them at all.

They all ask the same question: "Never mind about your operation. Did you catch that cab you were running after?"

Indeed I did! That's the only thing that made the whole experience really worthwhile.

It's never too late to wish a Happy New Year

Junior Garden Club Visits Heritage Manor



— Mrs. Lonnie Crow photo with Star Camera

INTEREST RATES (from page one)

as long as possible but he was forced to take the action to 'help hold the line against a further drying up of mortgage funds from regular sources ..."

He noted that market yields on most types of investments have gone up more than one percentage point in the past year and that lenders are demanding higher and higher discount points to make FHA-VA loans.

Lenders have been charging 7 to 9 per cent—or points—to make loans. Most of this usually is paid by the seller, but in effect may be passed on to the buyer in the form of a higher house price.

The one per cent boost in the interest ceiling—the largest increase ever—was applauded by the Mortgage Bankers Association of America and was condemned by the National Association of Home Builders.

"Housing is in a state of crisis, and today's government action to increase the FHA-VA mortgage interest ceiling to 8 1/2 per cent is a substantial move to improve the situation," said Robert H. Pease, president of the mortgage bankers.

Louis R. Barba, acting president of the home builders group, issued a statement declaring the time has come for the administration to put into effect standby credit controls recently authorized by Congress.

"Current high interest rates have not visibly succeeded in curbing inflation but, on the contrary, seem to increase inflationary pressures by their contribution to higher costs," Barba said.

He said the Federal Reserve Board should act to ease money pressures.

Pease noted that the 8 1/2 per cent rate would be illegal in at least six states—Indiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Ohio, South Dakota and Virginia—and the District of Columbia. He said these states could face a serious housing crisis unless their legislatures raise the current interest limits.

The new maximum rates will have no effect on the 8.2 million loans which have been made in the past, but they will result in higher monthly payments for person getting FHA-VA loans after Jan. 5.

Romney said lenders now processing loan applications would be expected to reduce the discount rates they charge to make the loan since they will be getting a higher interest yield. Romney said the prevailing discounts had produced a gross yield of 8.75 per cent on loans.

Commercial banks now have a prime rate of 8 1/2 per cent—the interest charged to their best customers.

Interest rates have gone up in the face of government efforts to restrict credit to brake inflation. The high interest rates in other areas of the economy have drawn money away from housing.

"Even the massive amounts of direct support to the mortgage market through the Federal National Mortgage Association, the Government National Mortgage Association and Federal Home Loan System have not been sufficient to sustain housing production at the levels needed," Romney said.

During the past decade the maximum rate has been changed nine times. Congress set the ceiling prior to May 1968 when the secretary of housing was given the authority to make adjustments to meet market demands.

The rate ceiling was 6 1/2 per cent at this time last year.

Weather

Experiment Station report for 24 hours ending at 7 a.m. Wednesday, High 37, Low 26, precipitation .20 of an inch, traces of sleet and snow

Forecast

ARKANSAS — Mostly cloudy through tonight and partly cloudy to cloudy Thursday. Continued cold through Thursday. Low tonight mostly 20s. Highs Thursday low 30s to mid 40s.

Weather Elsewhere

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

	High	Low
Albany, snow	28	15
Albuquerque, clear	34	15
Atlanta, cloudy	71	40
Bismarck, cloudy	31	20
Boise, cloudy	32	20
Boston, sleet	40	34
Buffalo, snow	31	23
Charlotte, clear	68	47
Chicago, snow	35	30
Cincinnati, cloudy	34	28
Cleveland, hail	32	29
Denver, cloudy	32	9
Des Moines, cloudy	22	17
Detroit, snow	35	27
Fairbanks, clear	34	4
Fort Worth, clear	36	23
Helena, cloudy	31	18
Honolulu, clear	86	72
Indianapolis, snow	34	25
Jacksonville, cloudy	79	64
Juneau, rain	41	38
Kansas City, cloudy	27	16
Los Angeles, clear	64	41
Louisville, cloudy	35	32
Memphis, cloudy	35	31
Miami, clear	75	69
Milwaukee, snow	32	26
Mpls.-St.P., snow	24	8
New Orleans, cloudy	73	41
New York, rain	36	M
Okla. City, cloudy	28	8
Omaha, cloudy	18	4
Philadelphia, rain	35	30
Phoenix, clear	54	34
Pittsburgh, snow	35	32
Ptland, Me. cloudy	37	25
Ptland, Ore., cloudy	47	43
Rapid City, cloudy	30	7
Richmond, rain	43	33
St. Louis, cloudy	29	24
Salt Lk. City, snow	31	24
San Diego, clear	63	35
San Fran., clear	58	47
Seattle, cloudy	46	41
Tampa, cloudy	76	61
Washington, rain	37	34
Winnipeg, snow	10	9
(M—Missing; T—Trace)		

ALLIES START (from page one)

significant increase in enemy activity indicates preparation for a possible offensive around the lunar New Year in February.

The allies reported killing 203 enemy soldiers in more than a dozen engagements Tuesday and Wednesday.

The U.S. Command said two Americans were killed and three wounded. All the casualties but one wounded were helicopter crewmen. One helicopter was shot down and destroyed and two others were damaged.

South Vietnamese paratroopers, fighting in jungles and rubber plantations near the Cambodian border 85 miles north of Saigon, reported 11 of their men killed and 28 wounded.

Most of the fighting Tuesday was in this area and another 20 miles farther east. South Vietnamese paratroopers said they killed 33 North Vietnamese, and that American fire support accounted for another 53. South Vietnamese headquarters said at least four government soldiers were killed and 42 wounded in Viet Cong attacks after the enemy's unilateral cease-fire began.

Members of the Sprouts Junior Garden Club of Garland School recently visited the Heritage Manor and distributed decorated cans of candy for the guests. Transportation was furnished by members of the sponsoring Garland Garden Club.

Saigon Gets Ready for Mr. Agnew

SAIGON (AP) — Saigon prepared today to receive Vice President Spiro T. Agnew as it did President Nixon five months ago, but this time Saigon Radio isn't expected to break the communications blackout imposed for security reasons during the visit.

Informants said the vice president, who is making a 10-nation tour of Asia, would arrive from the Philippines either late tonight or early Thursday, New Year's Day.

There were indications he would remain about 10 hours, meeting U.S. and South Vietnamese leaders and making at least one visit to U.S. troops outside Saigon.

The Radio Corporation of America said in New York Tuesday night that its transmissions from Saigon would be shut down for about 10 hours beginning at 5 a.m. EST. But a few hours later it said it had information Agnew's departure from Manila had been delayed until Thursday morning and the blackout had been postponed.

When Nixon came to Saigon last July 30, most communication circuits used by newsmen were cut off during his five-hour stay. American correspondents were threatened with revocation of their credentials if they evaded the blackout to report the visit while it was on.

In the midst of the blackout, however, the South Vietnamese government's Saigon radio announced Nixon's arrival and reported what he did, including his lengthy meeting with President Nguyen Van Thieu.

Embarrassed U.S. officials later apologized to American newsmen and said the broadcast resulted from a "misunderstanding." However, a South Vietnamese official indicated his government decided to make the broadcast for "political reasons"—to give maximum publicity to Nixon's complimentary remarks about Thieu.

U.S. officials have assured newsmen there will be no such broadcasts if a news blackout is imposed during Agnew's visit. There has been no comment from South Vietnamese officials.

Winding up his visit to the

Obituaries

MOORE INFANT

David Wayne Moore, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Duvall Moore, died Wednesday. He is also survived by a brother, Billy; and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R.D. (Dick) Moore of Hope and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Lee of Camden.

Graveside services will be held at 3 p.m. Wednesday by the Rev. S. A. Whitlow. Burial will be in Memory Gardens by Herndon Funeral Home.

Philippines, the Vice president discussed U.S.—Philippine economic and military relations with President Ferdinand E. Marcos. He also presented him slivers from the moon's surface and pictures of the Philippines that the Apollo 11 astronauts took last July.

Later Agnew drove to the International Rice Research Institute 40 miles south of Manila. He visited some of the rice paddies, saw ancient and newly developed ways of plowing, harvesting, threshing and cleaning the rice seed, and at one point nimbly hopped across a muddy stream.



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Calendar of Events

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31

The Hope Country Club will have a New Year's Eve Dance Wednesday, December 31. The band, "The Soul Enterprise," will play from 8 p.m. until 2 a.m., and the admission is only \$3 per couple. Hosts: Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wray, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Easterling, Mr. and Mrs. Frank McLarty, and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ellis.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 1

Chapter 328, Order of the Eastern Star, will have a regular meeting in the Masonic Hall Thursday, January 1 at 7:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 3

The Friday Music Club will have an Opera Listening Program and a Covered Dish Luncheon Saturday, January 3 at 12 noon in the Douglas Building. The program leader will be Mrs. Clarence Geist, and the hostesses, Mrs. James McLarty and Mrs. Calvin Smith.

There will be a dance at the Youth Center, Saturday, January 3 from 8:30 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. Entertainment will be by "Rock Creek Reunion." Admission will \$4 per couple. Couples only will be admitted.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 6

The Women's Council of the First Presbyterian Church will meet in the Chapel, Tuesday morning, January 6, 1970, at 10:00 a.m. All members are urged to be present. An attendant will be in the nursery.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 9

Rose Garden Club has postponed their meeting until Friday, January 9.

DORCAS CLASS CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Dorcas Sunday School Class of Garrett Memorial Baptist Church held a Christmas party on December 9, 1969, in the home of Mrs. Jimmy Williams. Attending were 12 members and one guest, Mrs. Martha McCorkle. After a brief business meeting, Mrs. McCorkle gave a devotional. Gifts were exchanged and the hostess served refreshments of cake, cookies, punch and coffee.

SWEET HOME EXTENSION HOME-MAKERS CLUB

The Sweet Home Extension Homemakers Club met Dec. 19th at the home of Mrs. Thelma Warner for the Christmas party.

Joy to the World was sung by the group. The devotional was given by Mrs. Lillian Trevillion. The roll call was answered by "How I get the Christmas Spirit." A poem, "When at Christmas" was read by the vice president, Mrs. Myrtle Bright.

Gifts were exchanged and Secret Pals revealed. Cookies, candy, punch and coffee were served to 19 members.

GOLDEN AGE CLUB MEETS

The Golden Age Club had a Christmas luncheon meeting on December 18 at the Douglas Building with the appropriate Christmas decorations that included a traditional tree.

The Hope Kiwanis Club furnished the main course of ham and turkey for the potluck meal.

Kiwanis Club President Kenneth Hamilton was a special guest, and he made pictures of the group at the party. Other guests were Mrs. P.H. Webb and relatives of the Club members.

As the club president, Mrs. Oja Smith, read the Christmas story from Matt. 2:1-12, the group sang carols in response to each verse. Mrs. Webb accompanied at the piano.

The 23 members and 7 guests had a visit from Santa Claus and each received a gift. The new club year will begin with the new calendar year, January 1, when a meeting will be held at 1:30 p.m. in the Douglas Building and new officers will be installed.

Coming, Going

The J.C. Pate family, Wichita Falls, Tex., were here with his father, Garland Pate, and other relatives and friends during the holidays.

Mrs. Catherine Faulkner and children Pine Bluff, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Cox in Fulton and with other friends and relatives in Hope.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry McHarg, IV and Todd, Little Rock, were here Christmas with Mrs. R.L. Gosnell.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Wenzels, Virginia and Teresa, Brownfield, Tex., are visiting the W. E. Reardon family.

A.D. Middlebrooks went to Texarkana for Christmas with the Alva Dyke Middlebrooks family.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Harmon spent the holidays in St. James, Mo. with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Hartsfield and Jerry had a Christmas guests Mr. and Mrs. Paul Harvel, Little Rock, and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jackson and son, Magnolia.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Waldron Jr., Linda and Randall of Longview spent the holidays with Mary Jo and R. L. Ross and attended the 1954 graduating class reunion.

Mrs. Hazel Castle and Miss Ora Mae Moody spent Christmas in North Little Rock with Mr. and Mrs. Cary Castle and daughter, Robin.

Mrs. B.C. Hyatt and Stuart Spragins of Little Rock spent Christmas in Jonesboro with the Charles Hyatt family. The entire group, then came to Hope for the weekend and were joined by the Rev. and Mrs. Bob Hyatt and family, Longview, Tex.; Dr. and Mrs. Ben Hyatt and family, Perryville; and the George Frazier family, Hope.

Mrs. Dave Vick, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., will arrive New Year's Day to visit Mr. and Mrs. J.P. Caston and other relatives.

Lance Jones has returned from Batesville and a visit with Miss Becky Bracey and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Middlebrooks, Shreveport, visited Tuesday with Dale Middlebrooks and other relatives.

Wedding Vows Are Repeated



MRS. PAUL G. HENLEY, II

St. Edward's Catholic Church of Little Rock was the setting on Saturday, December 27 at 7:30 p.m. for the wedding of Miss Mary Jane Ford and Paul Guesner Henley, II. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Dale Ford of North Little Rock, and the bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Perry Hamilton Henley of Route 1, Hope.

Father Joseph Enderlin of Our Lady of Good Hope Catholic Church in Hope was the officiating priest. Music was provided by Craig Chotard, organist; Mrs. James L. Gibbons, sister of the bride, soloist; and James L. Gibbons, oboist.

The bride was escorted down the aisle by her father. Her gown was an original design of candlelight peau de soie and hand-clipped lace. The illusion yoke was outlined with lace medallions embroidered in seed pearls, and the same motif was repeated on the Victorian collar. The gown featured Juliet sleeves and a court train which swept from controlled fullness at the waistline. The bodice and sleeves were fastened with tiny covered buttons. The cathedral-length veil of candlelight silk illusion was bordered with a wide band of lace and was secured by a Juliet cap of pearls. The bride carried a cascading bouquet of Phalaenopsis orchids with lace from the bridal gown worked in.

For the Christmas-time wedding Mrs. Bill Niven, Jr., North Little Rock, was the matron of honor, and Miss Kay Reasons, North Little Rock, was the maid of honor. Miss Susan Henley, Hope, sister of the groom, was junior bridesmaid. Bridesmaids were Miss Betty Ehrhridge, Conway, cousin of the bride, and Misses Lynn Mansfield and Arlyn Hanle, both of North Little Rock. They were gowned in spruce green velvet and carried bright red carnations outlined with variegated holly.

John Henley, Hope, served his brother as best man. Groomsman were Perry Henley, Jr., Hope, brother of the groom; Bill Groom, Fort Smith; Mark White, DeWitt; Steve Shaddox, Harrison; and Buddy Middleton, Little Rock. Ushers were Tim Olmstead, Little Rock; David Fayad, Georgetown, S.C.; and Sam Dunlap, El Dorado.

For her daughter's wedding, Mrs. Ford wore a formal gown and matching coat of American Beauty peau de soie. Mrs. Henley, mother of the groom, wore a formal gown and matching coat of Willow Green peau de soie.

Following the wedding, a reception was held in Trapnall Hall, Little Rock. Then, the couple left for a wedding trip to New Orleans.

After January 4, Mr. and Mrs. Henley will be at home in Hope, where he is Director of Parks and Recreation.

Television and Radio

By CYNTHIA LOWRY

AP Television-Radio Writer NEW YORK (AP) — What kind of a television year has it been?

A year when the greatest program, perhaps the greatest TV show of all time, came on a mid-summer night with 125-million Americans and more millions around the world watching as the first human took his first, bounding footsteps on the surface of the moon.

It was a time when, with few exceptions, the entertainment series—the doctors, the lawyers, the cops, the situation comedy families—looked pretty much like the series of other seasons. And few of the highly touted "specials" were really all that special. But people still liked TV's movie broadcasts.

Viewers did have some unusual treats. There was a British-made documentary that showed the royal family in informal moments away from public gaze. There was live coverage of a splendid medieval ceremony in which the heir apparent to the throne became Prince of Wales.

Glen Campbell won popular approval as a mid-season replacement but a lot of entries appeared briefly and were mer-

cifully forgotten—who remembers much about "My Friend Tony" and "The Queen and I"? Bill Cosby with a new NBC comedy series finally proved that Ed Sullivan on CBS was not unbeatable. The Smothers Brothers defied the network establishment and were summarily cancelled by CBS.

"Laugh-In," although beginning to show signs of fatigue, continued on strong. Joey Bishop after a brave fight against tough late-night odds, retired from the arena. A new contender, Dick Cavett, a two-time loser, entered the competition against Johnny Carson, the champ and Merv Griffin, himself a newcomer to the late night sweepstakes. David Frost after a late season start became a force to contend with.

"The Survivors" didn't survive in spite of a soap opera story and Lana Turner, but the day-time soap operas spun on and proliferated as the vogue for games and panel shows diminished.

Adult viewers of educational—now called "public"—television became hooked on a BBC adaptation of Galsworthy's "Forsyte Saga," and were charged to find out they had been watching soap opera in Victorian dress. A children's series called "Sesame Street" won such acclaim when it appeared on the educational stations that some of the commercial stations

started showing it. An old-fashioned doctor series, "Marcus Welby, M.D.," broke into the elite group of hit shows, and a 16-year-old western, "Gunsmoke," which had once been cancelled and re-prieved became one of the most popular programs along with Bob Hope and "Bonanza." Jim Nabors quit "Gomer Pyle" but kept his high Nielsen ratings in a variety show.

A comedy-variety hour, "Turn-On" had the shortest run in the history of TV series: one broadcast followed by abrupt cancellation.

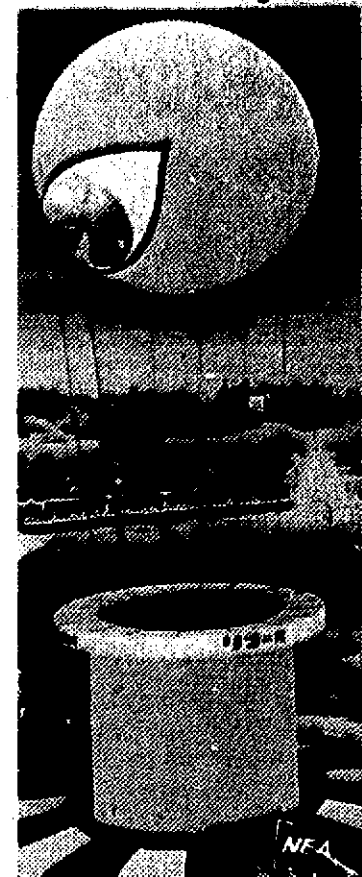
Network censors continued to ban mild expletives from early evening shows but there was evidence of increasing permissiveness in language and, particularly, subject matter in the later-evening programs. The news and actuality programs were preoccupied with environmental and urban blight, drugs, youth, racial problems and politics.

And then, of course, on the week-ends there was football, golf, basketball, football, hockey, baseball, football...

A year, just about like 1968, except for that moon walk.

Doesn't Eat Clothes

The moth itself does not eat clothes; it could not even if it wanted to. Like other butterflies and moths, its mouth is in the form of a soft tube which cannot injure clothing.



"EYE IN THE SKY" floats over a pavilion at Expo '70 in Osaka, Japan. In this artist's sketch, the Good-year balloon is seen tethered to a cylindrical building housing exhibits of a Japanese camera firm.

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Husband and Wife	\$20,000
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Wife as Trustee for Husband	\$20,000
	\$100,000

* Joint account with right of survivorship.



How A Husband, Wife and One Child May Have Insured Accounts Totalling \$200,000

Individual Account:	
Husband	\$20,000
Wife	\$20,000
Child	\$20,000
Joint Accounts: *	
Husband and Wife	\$20,000
Husband and Child	\$20,000
Wife and Child	\$20,000
Revocable Trusts:	
Husband as Trustee for Wife	\$20,000
Husband as Trustee for Child	\$20,000
Wife as Trustee for Husband	\$20,000
Wife as Trustee for Child	\$20,000
	\$200,000

* Joint account with right of survivorship.



How Grandfather, Grandmother and a Grandchild May Have Insured Accounts Totalling \$200,000

Individual Accounts:	
Grandfather	\$20,000
Grandmother	\$20,000
Grandchild	\$20,000
Joint Accounts: *	
Grandfather and Grandmother	\$20,000
Grandfather and Grandchild	\$20,000
Grandmother and Grandchild	\$20,000
Revocable Trust Accounts:	
Grandfather as Trustee for Grandmother	\$20,000
Grandfather as Trustee for Grandchild	\$20,000
Grandmother as Trustee for Grandfather	\$20,000
Grandmother as Trustee for Grandchild	\$20,000
	\$200,000

* Joint account with right of survivorship.



How a Parent and One Child May Have Insured Accounts Totalling \$80,000

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Hope Star SPORTS

Bobcats to Return to Action

By RALPH ROUNTON
Star Sports Writer

After nearly two weeks of holiday rest, the Hope Bobcats return to action at home on Friday night for a non-conference matchup with the 7-A Foreman Alligators.

A 6-3 record under new Coach John Ross sends the Bobcats into the rough grind of January and February games that lead up to the season-concluding tournaments.

Three weeks ago the Hope squad downed the Alligators 51-46 at Foreman, playing in a tightly-confined gym which inhibited the Bobcats' play.

On Saturday night Hope will play Ouachita High School on the road at Donaldson, which is located on the old U.S. 87 highway between Arkadelphia and Malvern.

That winning 6-3 mark has been quite an achievement for the Bobcat squad, which started without many experienced hands and no winning tradition (Hope never won a game in last year's 4-20 season after January 4).

Now Hope has the height to compete more evenly with the tough 4-A competition, with Magnolia and Snackover coming up next week. Coach Ross has a pair of big men in soph 6-6 John Dudley and 6-5 senior Larry Muldrew, both of whom are still developing with the tougher opposition.

Dudley is averaging about 15 points a game and Muldrew 12, while guard Parker Powell has been steady around 8 points per outing. Senior Lee Davis has made the squad and frequently the starting five along with soph guard David Briggs, who still is trying to become more consistent offensively.

Then there is a host of others who could start at any time and show their wares well, including juniors Roger Newton, Ronnie Massanello and Charles Rateliff, sophomores Tommy Webb and Lynn Norton, and seniors Ronny Brown and Thomas Norvell.

More than ever before here the "B" Lizard squad will be important, with the abundance of 10th graders on the team. Former Bobkittens Steve Harris, Tim White, Tommy Frazier, Glendon Martin, David Chance, and James Bradley made a decent showing against a tough Emmet two weeks ago, and Coach Ross has expressed the value of having plenty of "B" games for these less-experienced hands to play in.

Starting the action at Jones Field House on Friday night will be the Hope and Foreman senior girls at 6:30 p.m., and Saturday's trip to Ouachita will include the Yerger Junior Bobkittens in their first action in three weeks.

Johnny Majors Favored for Tennessee Job

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — John Majors, Iowa State coach, was reported today to be the top choice of Tennessee officials as Doug Dickey's successor as football coach.

Dickey's appointment as coach at Florida was scheduled to be announced today along with the resignation of Ray Graves, Florida coach for the last 10 years. Graves will remain as athletic director.

Majors was an All-American tailback at Tennessee in 1956-58.

Informed sources said Majors was the leading choice of the university's board of trustees to replace Dickey.

Actually, Dickey's successor will be named by the Tennessee Athletic Board upon recommendation of Athletic Director Bob Woodruff.

4 Horsemen Last Irish Bowl Players

By WILL GRIMSLEY
AP Special Correspondent
DALLAS, Tex. (AP) — The last Notre Dame football team to play in a bowl game spent two weeks getting from South Bend to Pasadena, Calif., and Knute Rockne blew his top because the players gorged themselves out of condition.

"Rock got very irritable," Jim Crowley, one of the fabled Four Horsemen who helped crush Stanford 27-10 in the Rose Bowl 45 years ago, recalled Tuesday. "He was mad because we were dined but not wined."

"We went by bus by way of New Orleans, Houston and Tucson and everywhere we stopped were felled by civic clubs. I remember at New Orleans we stuffed ourselves so much on oysters we couldn't move."

"Finally, we got to Tucson, which was a cow town then. The Rock made us stay there a week. But he told us to be careful about reaching for a handkerchief or a billfold in our hip pockets. Somebody might interpret it as a draw and we might get shot."

Crowley and two other members of the backfield immortalized by sports writer Grantland Rice—Don Miller and Elmer Layden—flew into Dallas for Notre Dame's Cotton Bowl battle Thursday against No. 1 ranked Texas. The fourth member, Harry Stuhldreher, died in February, 1965.

The men whom Rice likened to the Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse—War, Famine, Death and Pestilence—are now gray and plumpish, but still sharp and puckish in their remembrances.

Layden, 66, the fullback, is the grayest and slimmest, a transportation salesman now retired. "I've got so much nothing to do I can't get it all in," he says.

Crowley, 67, jowly, bespectacled and with a spreading paunch, is an industrial commissioner at Scranton, Pa. The other halfback, Miller, 67 and 188 pounds, is a U.S. district attorney in Cleveland.

Frequently thrown together for occasions such as this, they are like a vaudeville team, swapping quips and insults with each other, telling vivid stories and demonstrating a rare and warm camaraderie.

"Our backfield averaged only 156 pounds," Miller recalled, "and the line averaged 172 pounds."

Crowley, who later coached at Michigan State and Fordham, remembered that one night on the trip he and end Ed Hunsinger were caught by Rockne at 9:55 p.m., five minutes before curfew, buying Christmas cards in a store.

"Rock told us to go to our rooms and the next day to get our tickets home," he said. But Adam Walsh pleaded their case and they were allowed to remain on the team.

"At the start of the game, Hunsinger recovered a Stanford fumble and ran for a touchdown," Crowley reminisced. "I told Hunsinger: 'Isn't it a good thing Rock didn't send us home?'"

"It was Rockne's way of disciplining us and scaring us," Layden said.

and those over-the-middle shots to Milt Morin, the tight end, if they double up on Paul Warfield, the dangerous Gary Collins would be open. Nelsen will try to get Kelly and Scott or Johnson matched with a linebacker. And, of course, Kelly throws the option pass.

Kapp also can be expected to work over the middle and once again will test the rookie cornerback, Walt Sumner, who was burned by Washington in the November game. Washington and John Henderson are the long ball threats with tight end John Beasley over the middle and screens or dumpoffs to Osborn and Brown.

If both teams probe the middle with those quick passes, the burden will be heavy on the two middle linebackers, Lonnie Warwick of the Vikings and Dale Lindsey, and their outside partners—Roy Winston and Wally Hilgenberg of the Vikings and Jim Houston and John Garlington of the Browns, who must pick up the backs coming out.

In both field goal kicking and punting, Minnesota has a decided edge. Fred Cox has made 26 of 37 field goal attempts in regular season for the Vikings as compared to 12 of 23 for Don Cockroft of the Browns.

Bob Lee, the Minnesota punter and also No. 3 quarterback, averages 40 yards to Cockroft's 37.5 yards. In heavy mud, slush or snow that could be a most important factor in favor of the home club.

Basketball

Pro Basketball
By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
Tuesday's Results
Milwaukee 126, Baltimore 124
Cincinnati 125, San Diego 120
New York 116, Chicago 96
San Fran 105, Los Angeles 100
Seattle 134, Phoenix 121

Today's Games
Detroit at Boston
San Diego at Milwaukee
Baltimore at Atlanta
Chicago at Philadelphia
Thursday's Games
Chicago at Seattle

ABA
Tuesday's Results
Indiana 116, Miami 103
Pittsburgh 97, Carolina 89
Kentucky 139, Washington 127
New York 110, New Orleans 102

Today's Games
Denver 123, Los Angeles 116
Kentucky at Indiana
Miami vs Carolina at Charlotte, N.C.

Thursday's Games
No games scheduled
Tuesday's College Basketball
By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Tournaments
Albright Invitational
Championship
Phil. Textile 85, Middlebury, Vt. 49

Consolation
Kutztown St. 66, Albright 62

All-College
Championship
Niagara 87, Okla. City U. 75

Third Place
Tennessee 72, Memphis St. 51

Fifth Place
Arizona St. 77, Rice 70, of Seventh Place
Idaho 77, St. Francis, Pa. 67

Ashland
Championship
Ashland 51, West. Ill. 30 (Consolation)
Trenton St. 76, C.W. Post 73

Big Eight
(Championship)
Oklahoma 73, Colorado 72

Third Place
Kansas St. 64, Missouri 58

Fifth Place
Nebraska 78, Kansas 73 (Seventh Place)
Iowa 87, Oklahoma St. 84, 2 (ot)

Carolina Classic
(Championship)
No. Carolina 87, Bowling Green 72

(Consolation)
So. Illinois 100, Harvard 89

Charlotte Invitational
(Championship)
Davidson 103, Syracuse 81

(Consolation)
Holy Cross 72, Providence 68

Far West Classic
(Championship)
Oregon 83, Washington 73

(Third Place)
Washington St. 59, Oregon St. 54

(Consolation Round)
Temple 90, Michigan St. 51
Sol Calif. 65, Illinois 62, (ot)

EAC Championship
St. Bonaventure 91, Purdue 75

Third Place
Penn 88, St. Joseph's Pa. 69

(Fifth Place)
Cincinnati 85, Boston Coll. 70

Gator Bowl
(Championship)
Florida St. 88, Florida 63

(Consolation)
Army 57, Virginia Tech 55

Sugar Bowl
(Championship)
So. Carolina 84, Notre Dame 83 (ot)

(Consolation)
W. Virginia 95, New Mexico 91

Quaker City
(Championship)
LaSalle 89, Columbia 74

(Third Place)
Cornell 63, Villanova 58

(Fifth Place)
Wake Forest 108, Brigham Young 93

Poinsettia
(Championship)
Texas A&M 93, Northwestern 91

(Consolation)
Fruman 80, The Citadel 71

Kodak Classic
(Championship)
Georgetown 101, Stanford 81

(Consolation)
Penn St. 83, Rochester 60

Hurricane Classic
(Championship)
Seton Hall 56, Texas 55

(Consolation)
Ohio 99, Miami, Fla. 74

McNeese Holiday
(Championship)
S.F. Austin 59, McNeese 51

(Consolation)
Southeastern Okla. St. 69, Missouri-Holla 60

Las Vegas Classic
(Championship)
Santa Clara 93, Nevada Las Vegas 77

A Roundup of All the Bowl Games

By DICK JOYCE
Associated Press Sports Writer
What are you doing New Year's Eve?

Two sophomore quarterbacks who didn't figure on starting this season plan to light up the Astrodome's \$2-million scoreboard when Auburn meets Houston tonight in the 11th Astro-Bluebonnet bowl.

It figures to be a 10-touchdown game with Pat Sullivan of Auburn and Gary "Moon" Mullins of the host Cougars leading the way.

Both teams are high-scoring college football powers with 8-2 records and can explode on the ground and through the air. Houston, ranked No. 19, has rolled up an average of 38.6 points a game this season; 12th-ranked Auburn 36.3.

Touching off this long week of football activity Tuesday night was the second Peach Bowl in Atlanta where another sophomore, Eddie Williams, pounded out the yardage to lead West Virginia to a 14-3 victory over South Carolina.

But the Mountaineers' 10th victory in 11 starts may have been a going away present for coach Jim Carlen. He said after the game that he will decide within a week whether to leave West Virginia and accept the head coaching job at Texas Tech.

Bob Gresham scored for the Mountaineers on a 10-yard run in the first period and Jim Braxton got the clincher on a one-yard run with only 23 seconds remaining in the rain-soaked contest played before 48,542. Billy DuPre's 37-yard field goal put the Gamecocks on the scoreboard in the second period.

But it was Williams who was named the game's most valuable offensive player. He carried 35 times for 208 yards.

The first major contest to get under way on New Year's Day is the Sugar Bowl (ABC, 1:45 p.m. EST) between third-ranked Arkansas and 13th-rated Mississippi. The favored Razorbacks present a 9-1 record, losing only to Texas in the regular season finale, a balanced offense and the nation's stingiest defense against scoring.

The Ole Miss offense revolves around Archie Manning, a spectacular junior quarterback who engineered big victories over LSU, Tennessee and Georgia this season. Mississippi finished with a 7-3 mark.

NBC comes on with the Texas-Notre Dame showdown at 2 p.m. (EST). Making their first bowl appearance in 45 years the Fighting Irish will have to stop the Longhorns' powerful ground game, led by quarterback James Street.

Texas, winner of all ten starts, faces Irish front lines that outweigh the Longhorns' almost 20 pounds a man. Notre Dame Coach Ara Parseghian, whose team compiled an 8-1-1 mark, promised that it will be "a hittin' football game."

After that, don't turn your TV dial—NBC comes on with the Rose Bowl at 5 p.m. (EST) and the Orange Bowl at 8:15 p.m.

In the Rose, oldest bowl of them all, both clubs present solid running and passing quarterbacks. Sophomore Jimmy Jones guides fifth-ranked Southern California, 9-0-1, against seventh-ranked Michigan, 8-2, paced by junior QB Don Moorhead who helped the Wolverines knock off Ohio State this season.

Moorhead made good on 50 per cent of his pass attempts this season as well as carrying the ball more often than any other Wolverine. He tossed for five touchdowns and scored nine times.

Jones scored three touchdowns and passed for 12 TDs. Southern Cal's attack also features tailback Clarence Davis, who piled up 1,275 yards in 282 carries and nine touchdowns.

If Notre Dame knocks off Texas, emotion will be running high at the Orange Bowl where second-ranked Penn State tackles sixth-ranked Missouri. The Nittany Lions have enough going as is—being the underdog and striving to extend their 29-game unbeaten string.

Penn State coach Joe Paterno was none too pleased when President Nixon acclaimed Texas as the No. 1 team in the land following the Longhorns' 15-14 triumph over Arkansas. Hoping to land in the top spot in the final Associated Press poll, to be conducted after Thursday's games, Penn State will have to stop a strong Missouri offense, led by Terry McMillan and Joe Moore, which can strike in the air and on the ground. Missouri finished with a 9-1 record.

Sixth-ranked Tennessee was another consolation winner, tipping Memphis State 72-51 in the All-College tourney. Seventh-ranked New Mexico State defeated Sul Ross 95-75 in a non-tourney game. Houston, No. 8, belted California-Santa Barbara 98-85 for consolation honors in the Las Vegas Classic.

Among the other tournament winners were Florida State, an



GENERATION GAP in placekicking shows up in George Blanda, left, and Jan Stenerud, right. Oakland's old pro Blanda, 42, considers himself a football player first, a kicker second and keeps busy as second-string quarterback. In the younger generation, Kansas City's Stenerud, 27, has only one job—to kick.



Bonnies Win Again With Big Lanier

By DICK JOYCE
Associated Press Sports Writer

That mountain of a man, St. Bonaventure's Bob Lanier, is still looking for someone to cut him down to size. At 6-foot-10, 270 pounds, it may not come until he turns pro next season.

Big Bob came through with the top individual performance as the annual holiday college basketball tournaments came to a close Tuesday night. His 50 points powered the Bonnies from Olean, N.Y. to a 91-75 victory over Purdue for the Holiday Festival championship in New York.

The victory ran the 12th-ranked Bonnies' unbeaten string to seven games. Purdue, 7-3, is ranked No. 17.

Three other teams ranked in the Associated Press Top Twenty poll captured tournament titles.

Third-ranked South Carolina, led by John Roche's clutch foul shooting and Tom Riker's 36 points, downed Notre Dame 84-83 in overtime for the Sugar Bowl title at New Orleans. Austin Carr hit 43 for the 13th-ranked Irish.

North Carolina, No. 4, captured the Carolina Classic by tripping Bowling Green, 89-72, behind Charley Scott's 27 points. Davidson thumped Syracuse 103-81 for the Charlotte Invitational crown as sophomore Brian Adrian led the way with 32 points.

Purdue Coach George King called Lanier the best big man in the country. "As a player he does some things Lew Alcindor didn't do," he said. Lanier completely overshadowed the Bonnies' All-American Rick Mount, who was held to 19 points by the Bonnies' tight zone defense.

Lanier hit 18 of 22 shots from the field, including 18 straight points in the first half. He also grabbed 15 rebounds.

Unbeaten but unranked Niagara, even without Calvin Murphy for 16 minutes of the second half, took the All-College championship by downing host Oklahoma City 87-75. Murphy, 5-foot-10 All-American, was benched with four personal fouls early in the second half. But Wayne Jones picked up the slack, finishing with 20. Murphy had 22, 18 in the first half.

Oklahoma took the Big Eight crown with a 73-72 victory over Colorado, ranked No. 20. It was the Sooners' 10th win in 11 starts, with Steve Ayers sinking the clinching free throws.

Oregon handed ninth-ranked Washington its first setback 83-73 for the Far West championship at Portland, Ore. Stan Love poured in 25 points and Billy Gaskins added 22 for Oregon.

Fran Dunphy's 24 points paced LaSalle to the Quaker City title at Philadelphia, beating previously unbeaten Columbia, tied for No. 15 in the rankings, 89-74.

Mel Knight's layup with 13 seconds remaining earned Seton Hall the Hurricane Classic title, 56-55, over Texas. Fifth-ranked Ohio University salvaged the Hurricane consolation prize with a 99-74 triumph over Miami of Florida as John Canine scored 37 for the winners.

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AM&N Downs Henderson in Tourney

By MAX B. SKELTON
Associated Press Sports Writer

HOUSTON, Tex. (AP) — Two brilliant sophomore quarterbacks lead high scoring Auburn and Houston into tonight's Astro-Bluebonnet Bowl football game in the Astrodome.

Gary Moon Mullins, described as a midget by coach Bill Yeoman, came off the bench after two early Houston defeats to guide the Cougars to eight consecutive victories and a season average of 38.6 points a game.

Pat Sullivan did not figure prominently in Auburn's spring training plans but developed rapidly, took command, and set five school records while leading the Tigers to an 8-2 record with an average of 36.3 points.

Auburn is a one-point favorite, primarily because of a defense that has allowed only six touchdowns rushing. Houston has scored 53 touchdowns and 32 of them have been on ground plays.

The 6:45 p.m. CST kickoff is to be televised nationally by the Hughes Network with the Houston area blacked out.

Yeoman and coach Ralph Shug Jordan of Auburn agree that Sullivan is the classic-type quarterback while Mullins, at 5-foot-10, has a completely unorthodox style.

"Mullins is the type quarterback who beats you and you don't know why," said Jordan. "He scrambles and runs around like a dog. He may not look good but gets the job done."

"He is a midget but you look up and see him getting the ball into the end zone," said Yeoman.

Houston, ranked No. 2 nationally on total offense this year while reestablishing eligibility for bowl game competition. The Cougars held a No. 1 ranking the last three years while on NCAA probation for recruiting violations.

Auburn ranks No. 3 in rushing defense and No. 14 in total defense. Mullins holds a total offense of 1,831 yards with 13 touchdown passes and eight touchdowns on the ground. Sullivan's 1,991-yard total includes 16 touchdown passes and seven on the ground.

All-Star team that will meet the West in the AFL All-Star game in Houston Jan. 17.

Cook was the first rookie to win the league passing title and his average of 9.41 yards per attempt was bettered only once in AFL history when Len Dawson averaged 9.42 yards in 1968.

Record Run
In 1909, a Model-T Ford established a record time for the 4,000-mile journey from New York to Seattle in 22 days and 55 minutes, with gangs of laborers shoveling paths through the snow, according to Encyclopaedia Britannica.

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DATE	DAY	A.M.		P.M.	
		MINOR	MAJOR	MINOR	MAJOR
Dec. 31	Wednesday	10:50	5:00	11:15	5:00
Jan 1	Thursday	11:40	5:30	11:50	5:35
2	Friday	—	6:05	12:10	6:20
3	Saturday	12:35	6:40	12:50	7:05
4	Sunday	1:20	7:30	1:40	8:00

Television Logs

Wednesday		
Night		
6:00	Travel Film	2
6:30	Truth or Consequences	3 (C)
6:30	News, Weather, Sports	4-6-7-11-12 (C)
6:30	Arkansas 1969	2
6:30	Astro-Bluebonnet	3-7 (C)
6:30	Auburn meets Houston	3-7 (C)
6:30	Orange Bowl Parade	4-6 (C)
6:30	Hee Haw	11-12 (C)
7:30	What's In a World?	2
7:30	Virginian	4-6 (C)
7:30	Beverly Hillsbillies	11-12 (C)
8:00	Critique	2
8:00	Medical Center	11-12 (C)
8:00	Audubon	2
8:00	Then Came Bronson	4-6 (C)
8:00	Hawaii Five-O	11-12 (C)
10:00	News, Weather, Sports	3-4-6-7-11-12 (C)
10:30	Dick Cavett	3-7 (C)
10:30	Johnny Carson	4-6 (C)
10:30	Movie	11
10:30	"Oh Men, Oh Women!"	11
10:30	Merv Griffin	12 (C)
11:30	Guy Lombardo	3 (C)
12:00	News	4 (C)
12:00	Evening Devotional	6-12 (C)
12:15	News	11 (C)

Thursday

Morning		
6:20	Sunrise Semester	12 (C)
6:30	Economics	11 (C)
6:40	Morning Devotional	6 (C)
6:45	RFD	6 (C)
6:45	R.F.D. "6"	6
6:50	Your Pastor	12 (C)
6:55	Morning Devotional	3-4 (C)
7:00	Bozo	3 (C)
7:00	Today	4-6 (C)
7:00	News	11-12 (C)
7:30	Bozo's Big Top	7 (C)
7:30	Arkansas A.M.	11 (C)
8:00	Captain Kangaroo	11-12 (C)
8:30	Movie	3
8:30	"Holiday in Havana"	3
9:00	New Year's Parade Salute	4-6 (C)
9:00	Romper Room	7 (C)
9:00	Rose Parade Preview	7 (C)

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Next Move Is Apparently Up to Flood

By HAL BOCK

Associated Press Sports Writer
NEW YORK (AP) — The next move is up to Curt Flood in the developing showdown between the veteran major league outfielder and baseball's controversial reserve clause.

Flood was expected to confer with his attorney, former Supreme Court Justice Arthur Goldberg, on his next step after an exchange of letters with Commissioner Bowie Kuhn in which he asked to be declared a free agent and Kuhn rejected his request.

Flood said he talked to the commissioner Tuesday night after Kuhn released the letters to news media.

"I thank him very much for his rapid reply and his courtesy in extending it," said Flood. "I told him we'd decide some time within the next day or two what our next step would be."

In his letter to Kuhn, Flood said he objected to being treated as a property "brought and sold irrespective of my wishes."

Flood was traded last October by St. Louis to Philadelphia in the deal that sent Rich Allen to the Cardinals.

Flood's letter asked Kuhn to inform all major league clubs that he desires to play baseball in 1970 and, in effect, is open to any offers.

That, of course, strikes at the heart of the reserve clause which binds a player to his club. Kuhn's reply pointed out that Flood's contract with St. Louis had been assigned to Philadelphia in accordance with terms of the general agreement negotiated between baseball and the Players Association two years ago. That agreement expires at midnight tonight.

The Players Association, under the leadership of Marvin Miller, has demanded 41 items in the new contract between the owners and players. One of those demands is an easing of the reserve clause which the players consider too restrictive and which the owners consider the lifeblood of the sport.

Miller said that Flood had come to the Players Association about a month ago, asking for support in his fight. The Association voted unanimously to support him and helped put him in touch with Justice Goldberg.

Miller said among the suggestions for loosening the clause that baseball has rejected was the adoption of an option clause similar to the one used in pro football. In that sport, an athlete may declare his intention to play out his option in any season and then be free to negotiate with another club. If a player moves, the commissioner designates a player to compensate his former club.

Miller said that while Flood has his Association's full support, the next step was up to the outfielder.

Flood recognizes that he is launching what amounts to a test case.

"We want something that's fair and equitable to both sides," he said. "We're not trying to be unfair, but it's unfair to say there's no answer to the reserve clause."

"I've talked about the reserve clause for the last 10 years," Flood continued. "I think the fact that I was traded to Philadelphia brought it into focus."

Flood at first had said he would retire after the trade to the Phillies. But his letter to Kuhn indicated that he had decided to play next year, a development the commissioner said pleased him.

Basketball

Arkansas Basketball
By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
College
State College 93, Lambuth 75
Evangel 89, Hendrix 78
Kiwanis Tournament
At Pine Bluff
Championship
Arkansas AM&N 92, Henderson 89

Consolation
Southern State 75, Arkansas A&M 61
High School
NEA Invitational
At Jonesboro
First Round, A Division
Salem 60, Tuckerman 50
Monette 64, Leachville 46
First Round, B Division
Turrell 66, Wilson 45
Sloan-Hendrix 45, Cave City 40
Melbourne 65, Shawnee 52

to run the ball a lot more. It's more of a controlled type game, a patient game. But Al always said he was a passing coach. He likes to throw."

Lamonica was the perfect reflection of that theory during the regular season as he piloted an attack that gained more yardage in the air than any other club in the league while personally leading the league with 34 touchdown tosses.

"The philosophy with the Chiefs is different," Flores continued. "The philosophy here is

Smaller Cruise Ships Dethrone Queens

By DICK KLEINER
West Coast Correspondent

LOS ANGELES—(NEA)—Just as television was supposed to kill the book publishing business—didn't it—so was the air age supposed to spell the end of ocean travel. But plenty of people are still going down to the sea in ships.

"There will always be ships," says ship commander Capt. W. B. Vickers. "It's changing, but it will survive."

One of the changes is obvious along the Southern California waterfront. Tied up in Long Beach is the mighty marine monster, the Queen Mary, her ocean-going days over. But puffing busily in and out of Los Angeles harbor are dozens of smaller, trimmer vessels.

Vickers' command, the Oriana, is one of them. She's a neat, white liner, stopping off in Los Angeles on her

leisurely way from Australia to England, via the Panama Canal.

"We'll never see ships like the Queen Mary and the Queen Elizabeth again," he says.

They were built for the North Atlantic trade, to ferry passengers between New York and Europe. But the airplane has taken over that commerce. It was never a fun voyage—foggy in summer, stormy in winter—so it was doomed.

But now a new kind of traveling public has come forward, the cruisers. There are people with the leisure time and the money to get on a ship and go, for the fun of it.

In Australia, a person who has worked for a company for 20 years is legally entitled to four months off with pay. He can add on his

regular month's vacation, and have five foot-loose months—and many of them go places via ship.

California is another huge source of cruisers. Ship companies realize that the money in California is worth cultivating. So several companies call in Los Angeles, pick up passengers and take them places—the Caribbean, the South Pacific, the Orient—from where they can then fly home. And there are

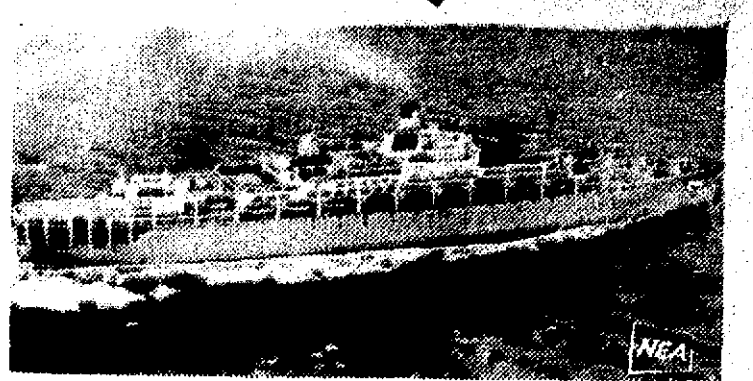
other, orthodox cruises to Hawaii, the Mexican coast, Alaska.

The English-based P&O line is even catering to American taste.

"We're going to give them hamburgers," Vickers says. "I tried one and I liked it very much."

The only problem was that they stuck the hamburgers on the dinner menu, instead of lunch.

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Gone are giants such as the Queen Mary,

regular month's vacation, and have five foot-loose months—and many of them go places via ship.

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WIN AT BRIDGE

Soloway Double Tips Slam Lead

By Oswald & James Jacoby

NORTH 31			
♠ Q 4 2			
♥ Q 5 3 2			
♦ 10			
♣ K 8 6 2			
WEST EAST			
♠ 10 9 5	♠ 8		
♥ 6	♥ A 10 9 8 4		
♦ K Q 9 5 4	♦ J 6 3 2		
♣ Q 10 9 5	♣ J 7 4		
SOUTH (D)			
♠ A K J 7 6 3			
♥ K 7			
♦ A 8 7			
♣ A 3			
Both vulnerable			
West	North	East	South
Pass	2♥	Pass	2NT
Pass	3♥	Pass	4♥
Pass	4♥	Pass	4NT
Pass	5♥	Pass	6♥
Pass	Pass	Dble	Pass
Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead—♥ 6			

At this point, we cannot say just how many Master Points Paul Soloway won in 1969 but we do know he won enough to give him the McKenney Trophy and a new record. The Vanderbilt win by Dick Walsh, John Swanson, Jerry Haltee and Paul was worth 125 Master Points and got them into the match with the Dallas Aces to determine the 1970 International team.

Today's hand might have resulted in a 13-IMP pickup for the Dallas Aces in the match but Paul came through with a bid that gave his team the 13 IMPs.

The way Bob Hamman and Mike Lawrence of the Aces bid to the spade slam is worthy of study. Bob's hand was just below a two-bid in strength. Mike's two-heart response was made in preference to a spade raise because he was just too strong for a single spade raise.

Bob's two-heart was an absolute force and designed to elicit more information from Mike. Of course Bob was on his way to a slam after that response and his use of Blackwood was to keep out of seven when he found that an ace was missing.

When the six-spade bid came around to Paul, he doubled. This was a perfect example of the head-directing

English Novelists

ACROSS

1 English novelist, Thomas —
6 English novelist, Walter —
11 Conscious —
12 English novelist, Joseph —
14 Cavities —
15 Clothes —
17 Fermented brews —
18 Against —
19 Conger —
20 Cry loudly —
22 Electric unit (ab.) —
24 Possessive pronoun —
25 Revereential fear —
28 Educational group (ab.) —
30 Consume —
32 English writer, Lewis —
34 Baltic city —
37 Therefore (Latin) —
38 English novelist, Charles —
41 Peruvian coin —
43 Turkish VIP —
44 Payable —
45 Exclamation —
47 New Zealand bird —
49 Aged —
51 Lively color —
53 Catrinx —
55 Dash —
58 The skull —
61 Burning —
62 English novelist, Charlotte —
63 Maggots

DOWN

1 Laughter sound —
2 Illegally absent (slang) —
3 Chest rattle —
4 Gasmask —
5 Word of assent —
6 Scrutinize —
7 Terra —
8 Not late (2 words) —
9 Three (comb. form) —
10 Biblical weed —
13 Consider —
16 Crafty —
18 Biblical victim —
21 Donkey (comb. form) —
23 Tree-covered area —
25 High card —
26 Armed conflict —
27 Units of work —
29 Operatic soprano —
31 Bound —
33 Cubicle —
35 African antelope —
36 Peer Gynt's mother —
39 —
40 Coolidge's nickname —
42 Mislaying —
43 Circle part —
46 Soft-tissued plant —
48 Sharp —
50 English author, Daniel —
52 Challenge —
54 City in Iowa —
56 Italian currency —
57 Weapons —
58 Arboreal habitat —
60 Sign of consent —
61 Pointed tool

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THE DOCTOR SAYS

Test Thickness of Ice Before Skating Venture

By WAYNE G. BRANDSTADT, M.D.

The same perverse urge that makes one touch the paint when one sees a WET PAINT sign makes some persons try to see how far they can skate on thin ice. Touching the wet paint is safer! Anyone who falls through thin ice is in great danger because his body heat is quickly dissipated. This leads to shock and as a result, death may occur within 15 minutes or less.

If you contemplate skating on a river or small lake, someone should first test the thickness of the ice. If it is only one-inch-thick, it will not support an adult and everyone should stay off. If it is two inches thick, it will support one person only. Ice that is three inches thick will support small groups in single file and at four inches or more it is safe for skating, sledding and ice fishing but not for a snowmobile.

Because thaws may occur in midwinter, the safety of the ice should be checked every time there is a rise in the outside temperature. As with swimming, skin diving and skiing, you should never skate alone. Remember that

double but also a courageous one. If West held two hearts instead of one, Paul would look mighty silly but Paul felt that the North-South bidding had shown seven hearts in the combined hands and was willing to back his judgment.

The heart lead and ruff beat the slam. Against any other lead, it would have been a cinch.

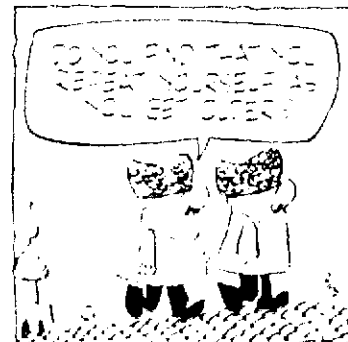
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WORLD ALMANAC FACTS

The horror of nuclear warfare was first realized with the destruction of Hiroshima. The World Almanac recalls, however, that the fire bombing of Dresden, Germany, in February, 1945, was the greatest single case of destruction in human warfare. An armada of British and American aircraft dropped incendiary bombs that consumed an estimated 135,000 people in comparison, the first atomic blast killed an estimated 80,000 people.

Answer Tomorrow

SHORT RIBS



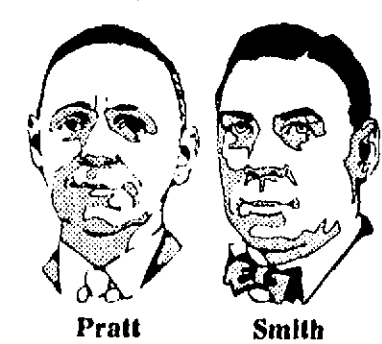
Market Almanac Reveals Odd Antics of Stocks

By CARLTON SMITH and RICHARD PUTNAM PRATT

The blue Monday syndrome affects not only human workers who would rather stay in bed than stagger off to begin another week of bringing in the sheaves. It appears that the stock market also suffers from the Monday blues, starting off the week with a decline a majority of the time.

Nor is the spirit of TGIF confined to the human breast. Thankfulness for Friday and an end to the week extends, the figures show, again to the stock market, where joyful advances mark Friday two-thirds of the time.

Just why this should be so is not clear, but it's so firmly a settled pattern that the 1970 "Stock Trader's Almanac" refers to this "startling contrast between



the first and last trading days of the week" as "a most unusual phenomenon in the stock market."

The "Stock Trader's Almanac" is a combination desk calendar and compendium of market facts and lore that gives it a certain resemblance to its patronymic, the "Farmer's Almanac."

Editor Yale Hirsch delights in digging up such odd (and possibly profitable) bits about market behavior patterns as, for example, the finding that if trading volume has been increasing for five consecutive trading days, prices will probably rise over the next four days.

The preponderance of "Blue Mondays and good Fridays" was reported a year ago, when the 1969 Almanac appeared. It was pointed out then that over a period of 15 years, the Stand-

STAPLE GUNS HAVE A VARIETY OF USES

By MR. FIX

Easily the most versatile fastening tool to come along is the staple gun. These heavy-duty tackers are big brothers to the common desk stapler. They work just as easily, can be used wherever you would need a hammer and wire staples or tacks and can speed up a job so that it takes only a fraction of the time it might.

Professionals use them for roofing, metal siding, shingles. You can find enough jobs for them around the house to make a staple gun a standard workshop tool.

The guns are designed for one-hand operation and come in a variety of sizes. The light-duty tool is inexpensive, takes staples 1/4- or 5/16-inch in length.

The larger models cost more but will handle staples up to 9/16-inch. This is the kind you will need for fastening ceiling tile — almost impossible to do alone without a staple gun — or to use with thin sheets of plywood, hard-board and similar material.

Buy a tool that will handle a variety of staples and then match the staple to the job. For holding down shelf paper 1/4-inch is plenty. Screening will be held perfectly by 3/8-inch staples. For thin molding use a 1/2-inch staple and use 5/16-inch staples for repairing furniture upholstery.

While stapling results in permanent fastening you can use it for temporary fastening as well. Use staples to tack together pieces that must remain in one position while glue dries.

Heavy plasters and lamin-

ard & Poor's composite index showed a drop 58.3 per cent of the time on the first trading day of the week. And the index finished the week with a gain 66.7 per cent of the time.

In the 1970 Almanac, now out, there's further elaboration of the theme, contributed by a brokerage firm that specializes in daily prediction of the market's direction.

A computer study by the firm, covering 19 years, showed that when the market does decline on Friday—as it does only about one-third of the time—the odds are better than three to one that Monday will also be a down day. And while Monday is a loser most of the time, overall, when it follows an up-side Friday it's upside too, by a small (53.1 per cent) majority.

Is this bit of information anything more than merely interesting? Might it also, to a trader, be profitable? "To assume that one could automatically buy on Mondays and sell on Fridays for quick turns," editor Hirsch warns, "would be a naive assumption."

Still, while it's no beat-the-market formula, "it is not unreasonable to believe," Hirsch concedes, "that you would stand a slightly better chance of getting a higher price on Fridays for a stock you are about to sell, than putting it off until Monday."

"Also, if you were about to purchase a stock on Friday, chances are that you might be able to do slightly better waiting until Monday."

However useful it may or may not be, the information about the moody market makes it sound almost human. Maybe what's needed to pull it out of its present malaise is for all of us to send it get-well cards.

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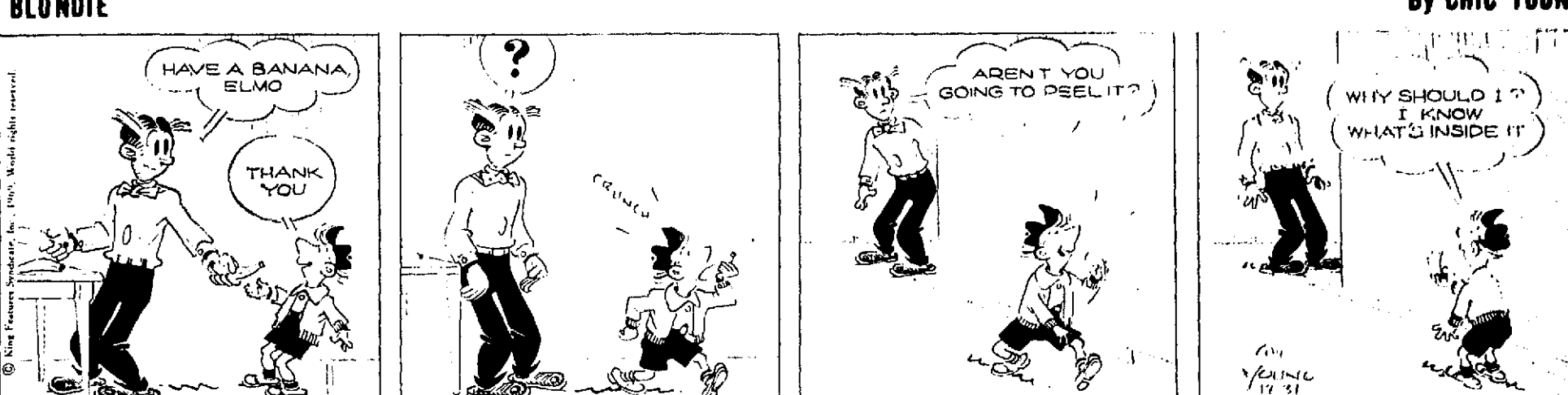
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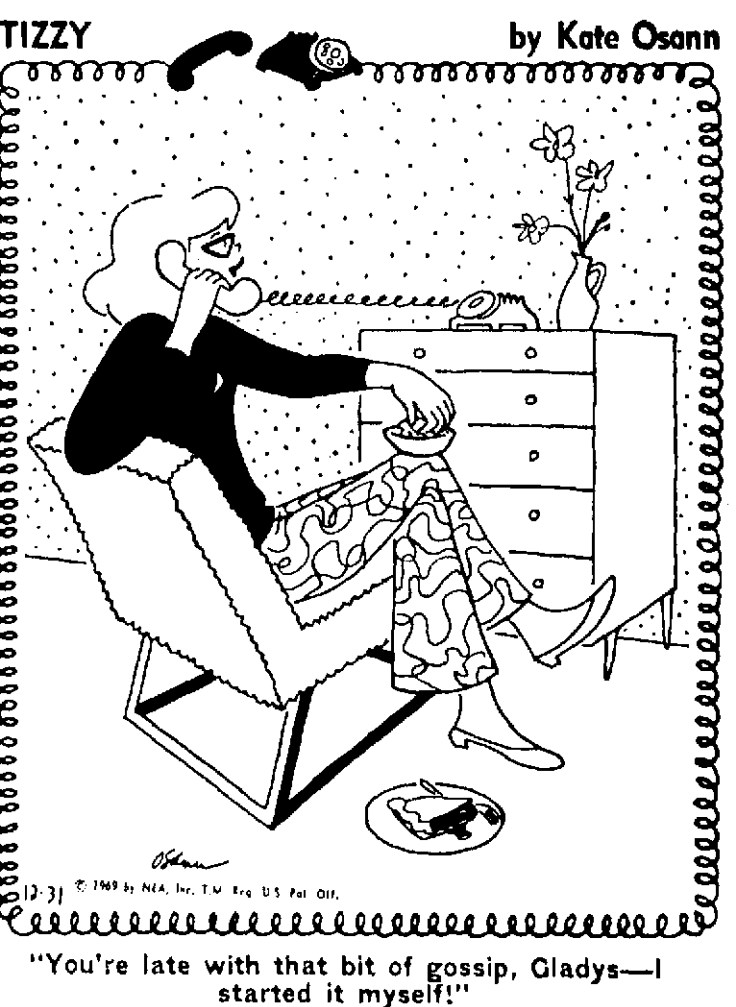


"Since the idea seems to be to find ridiculous names, why not call yourselves 'The Musicians'?"

By ART SANSON

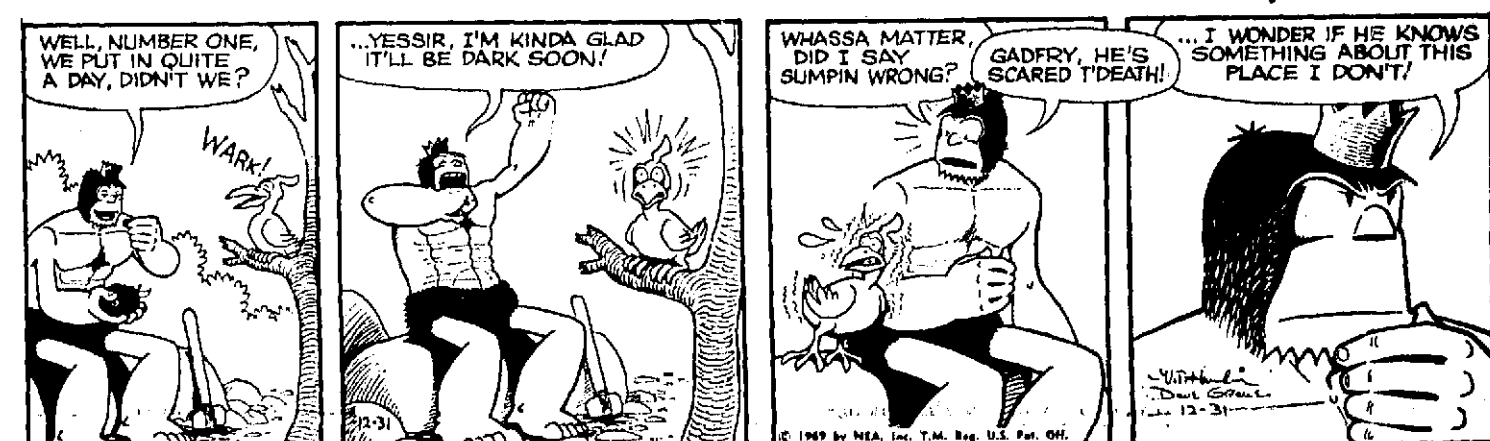


By V. T. HAMLIN



"You're late with that bit of gossip, Gladys—I started it myself!"

By MAJOR HOOPLE



By LESLIE TURNER



By HOMER SCHNEIDER



WINTHROP

By DICK CAVALLI



By HENRY FORMHALS

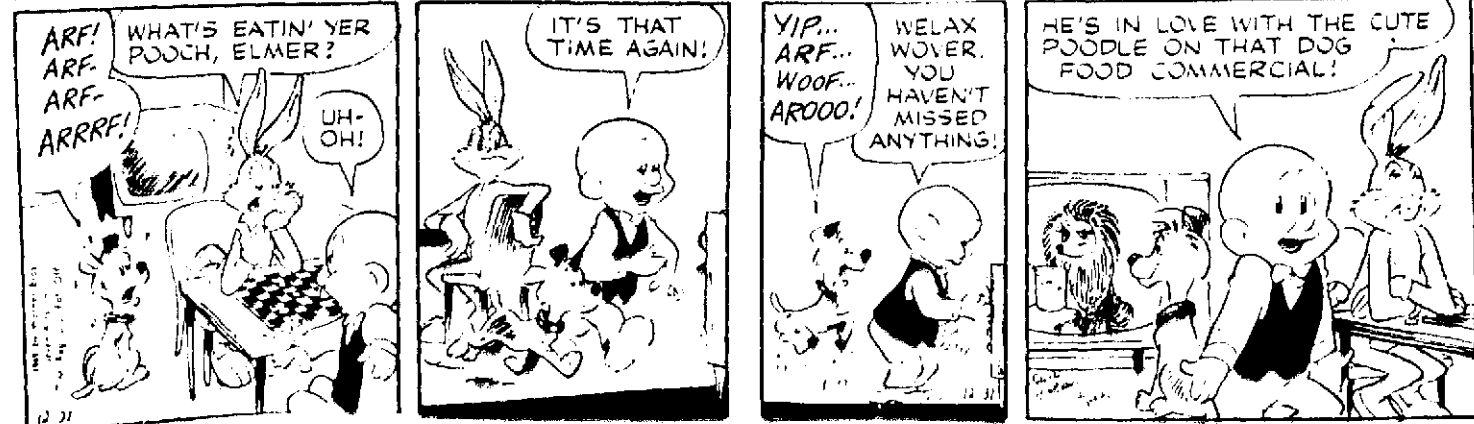


CAMPUS CLATTER

By LARRY LEWIS



By RALPH HEIMDAHL



PRICILLA'S POP

By AL VERMER



Another Cut In U.S. Rice Acreage

WASHINGTON (AP) — Secretary of Agriculture Clifford M. Hardin announced Tuesday a 15 per cent cut in the nation's rice acreage allotment for 1970 to help offset rising stockpiles of the grain.

Next year's allotment will be 1,656,461 acres, compared with 2,180,542 acres for 1969.

It will be the smallest allocation under the government program since 1965, and compares with the peak of 2.4 million acres in 1968.

Hardin was required by law to set the rice allotment at a level to produce a crop and carry over next year not to exceed 10 per cent of total domestic and export demand.

The rice carry-over last Aug. 1 was 16.3 million hundredweight, the most in 12 years, the department said. The surplus by next Aug. 1 was projected at 15.2 million hundredweight.

Hardin also announced marketing quotas for the 1970 quotas by mail ballot on Jan. 19-23. Quotas have been in effect since the 1955 crop and must be approved by at least two-thirds of the growers voting.

If quotas are approved, the department said, the 1970 average price support rate will be \$4.81 per hundredweight, a boost of nine cents from 1969.

The law also provides that if the average of \$4.81 is less than 65 per cent of the August 1970 parity price for rice the crop will be supported at the higher level.

Officials said world rice supplies this year continue to be large and that competition through 1970 is expected to be strong.

The 1970 rice acreage allotments by state, compared with 1969 averages, respectively, included:

Arizona 254 acres in 1970 and 259 acres in 1969; Arkansas 443,331 and 521,566; California 333,054 and 391,828; Florida 1,063 and 1,251; Illinois 22 and 26; Louisiana farm allotment 508,923 and 598,733; Louisiana (producer allotment) 18,833 and 22,157; Mississippi 51,858 and 61,009; Missouri 5,286 and 6,219; North Carolina 43 and 50; Oklahoma 166 and 195; South Carolina 3,163 and 3,721; Tennessee 575 and 676; Texas 469,211 and 552,013; and held in national reserve 679 and 759.

Receivers Are Boys to Really Watch

By BEN THOMAS

Associated Press Sports Writer NEW ORLEANS (AP) — With all the hoopla over Mississippi's Archie "He's Super" Manning—and to a lesser extent Arkansas' Bill Montgomery—the guys who'll be catching the M Boys' passes in Thursday's Sugar Bowl have almost been overlooked.

A receiver overshadowed all others a year ago when the final gun sounded after the 1969 Sugar Bowl. Arkansas split end Chuck Dicus, who caught 12 passes for 169 yards and the game's only touchdown, has a chance to become the first man to repeat as winner of the Sugar Bowl's Most Valuable Player Award.

Dicus had an outstanding year for the Razorbacks, the nation's third-ranked team.

Discusses Berlin Issue



U.S. Has Many Dirty Book Comissions

By JOHN S. LANG

Associated Press Writer WASHINGTON (AP) — The Federal government has commissions on dirty books, old people, sports, motors, fires, Indians, veterans and—of course—the Golden Spik Centennial.

There are at least four federal study groups on libraries, two on postal problems, three on student loans, six on rivers and lakes and two on federal salaries.

Only one is concerned with the Father Marquette Tercentenary, but it apparently needs no help in coping with its responsibilities. The 12 commissions don't have to report to Congress until 1974.

These were among 132 listings in a Library of Congress study of the boards, task forces, councils, commissions and committees created to advise the Congress and the executive branch since 1965.

The study, mentioned recently in a Congressman's speech, found that 59 of the commissions had no offices, no staffs and had not or did not plan to issue any reports.

One committee which did make a report was the one named to Review Relationships between the Central Intelligence Agency and Private American Voluntary Organizations.

It recommended that a second committee be established to study the problem.

Two years after the President's Committee on Libraries "as resources for scholarly pursuits..." was formed, it had filed no report. None was anticipated, researchers said, until after the report of the National Advisory Commission on Libraries.

When the researchers tried to determine whether the advisory commission had made a study, they were forced to conclude: "Presumably, the report should by this time have been submitted, but we are unable to ascertain whether this is in fact the case."

Another panel, the National Medical Review Committee, was authorized in 1965 with membership to be appointed by the secretary of health, education and welfare. But the committee was never constituted and no reports were ever issued.

Major Donald B. Whitmarsh discussed Berlin with Hope High School social studies students recently in the auditorium.

The younger brother of HHS assistant principal Bobby Whitmarsh, the Major holds the Bronze Star for Meritorious Action Against Hostile Forces in the Republic of Vietnam, the Legion of Merit for Conduct in Dealing with Russians and Germans in the capacity of Commander at Helmstedt, and the Combat Infantryman's Badge.

Following his leave, he will enter a second tour of duty in Vietnam. Using slides along with his lecture, Major Whitmarsh gave the students a history of Berlin, its famous wall, and the city's situation in the world today.

Some of the slides showed the destruction of Berlin in World War II, when 76 per cent of the metropolis was destroyed. "Of the 4.5 million people living in Berlin at the beginning of the war," said Major Whitmarsh, "only 2 million were there after the destruction and evacuation."

Actually, West Berlin is 110 miles inside of East Germany, and is therefore surrounded by Communist land area and forces. Major Whitmarsh's duty was to check out and process all vehicles and trains into West Berlin, and his checkpoint (Charlie Checkpoint) processed such visitors as President Nixon, Apollo space crew, and others.

Lack of a strong labor force is a major problem in West Berlin today, according to the Major, because 20 per cent of the population is over 70 years of age. So, the West German government has instituted many programs of aid to those wishing to move into Berlin.

Among these are wage bonuses, reparations for moving costs, rent subsidies, low cost marriage loans, and tax reductions. "Today West Berlin is governed by the major generals of France, England, and the United States," stated Major Whitmarsh. These officers have a supreme command on all decisions.

"The world must know that we will fight for Berlin. We will never permit the city to fall to the Communists," he emphasized.

sued.

When President Nixon took office, he created 10 new commissions to go along with the 169 which aides said already existed to advise the chief executive.

One panel named by former President Lyndon B. Johnson, the National Commission on the Causes and Prevention of Violence, received widespread publicity when it issued its final report this month. With it came a little-noticed suggestion from one member, U.S. Dist. Judge A. Leon Higginbotham.

He called for a national moratorium on commissions to probe the causes of racism, or poverty, or crime, or the urban crisis. There already has been too much study and too little action, said the judge.

A scanning of lists of commission members supports the view, held by some pundits, that there are but 27 real persons in all the world.

The same names appear persistently. AFL-CIO President George Meany, for example, was on six commissions, former Secretary of Commerce C. R. Smith on 12, and former Secretary of Agriculture Orville Freeman on 11.

Only One Representative Five of the states on the Union have only one representative in Congress. The populations of Alaska, Delaware, Nevada, Vermont and Wyoming are too small for them to qualify for more than one.

Cutback May Cost Center Not Even Open

By VERN HAUGLAND

AP Aviation Writer WASHINGTON (AP) — A decision to shut down—and possibly auction off—a major new research center even before it gets into full operation points to possible broad cutbacks in the nation's space program.

"We are not going to have a larger budget, congressional action on taxes has caused us to be cut back, and as a result, we have to find ways of economizing," said administrator Thomas O. Paine of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration.

First victim of the economy axe was NASA's ultra-modern Electronics Research Center at Cambridge, Mass., a 29-acre complex of six buildings now nearing completion at a cost of \$36 million.

Some 100 specialists in advanced electronics research already have been installed in the new facilities. An additional 750 are housed in temporary rented quarters. NASA had planned to invest about \$60 million and employ several thousand persons to make this the heart of government study programs in the electronics field.

In its annual report earlier this year NASA credited the Cambridge center with:

—A discovery that the electrical output of certain semi-conductors such as gallium antimonide was extremely sensitive to applied pressure. This led to development of a minute device transforming pressure into an electric signal, which made it possible to measure, from inside the heart of an anesthetized dog, details of blood pressure variations during the heart's pumping cycle.

—Developing and testing an instrument to measure with unprecedented accuracy eye pupil size, blink rate and direction of gaze, without attachment to the subject. NASA said the device should be useful in determining the best arrangements for cockpit instruments, in measuring mental alertness, in studying how children learn to read, and in gun and camera aiming systems.

Paine flew to Boston Monday to make the closure announcement.

Julian Scheer, NASA assistant administrator for public affairs, said the decision to shut down the center was reached only last Saturday.

"We decided to move quickly, and let the employees know of the decision, before they heard rumors about it," Scheer explained.

Scheer said it was certain additional changes would be made in NASA programs, but they are not to be announced until President Nixon has sent his budget to the Congress late in January. He added that the prospective changes are related both to economies and to the re-orienting of the space program.

Scheer said some of the Cambridge center contracts totaling \$25 million a year would be canceled, while some work would be transferred to other facilities.

Paine said the closing was in keeping with last September's report of the President's Space Task Group.

"In line with their findings, we are being forced to cut down broad electronic research coverage and focus much more on the specific programs, and carry out the electronic research specifically tied to the individual programs," Paine said.

As to the future of the Cambridge center, Paine said NASA would try first to determine whether other government agencies could use the buildings.

If they cannot, he said, the structures will go on the auction block.

Francis W. Sargent, Republican governor of Massachusetts, has called the decision to close the center a major mistake.

Sen. Edward M. Kennedy and Rep. Thomas P. O'Neill, Massachusetts Democrats, said they would meet with Paine to oppose the NASA action.

New Director Is Sworn In

LITTLE ROCK (AP) — William L. "Sonny" Walker, former head of the Pulaski County Economic Opportunity Agency, was sworn in Tuesday as state director of the Office of Economic Opportunity.

Walker told those gathered at the ceremonies that his appointment to the position by Gov. Winthrop Rockefeller showed that a person could reach his goals by hard work, regardless of color. Walker is a Negro.

He succeeds the Rev. Clyde Hart, who resigned to become director of the OEO in Garland County.

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Coffee

Lb. 79¢

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Lb. 19¢

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Israel Jets Zoom Over Gunboats

By RONALD THOMSON
 Associated Press Writer
 HAIFA (AP) — Two of five gunboats from France arrived in this Israeli port today after receiving a victory salute from two Israeli jet fighters offshore. The two vessels docked at the Haifa shipyards.

There was no immediate word on the whereabouts of three other gunboats which sailed from Cherbourg on Christmas Eve. The two gunboats, with the letters "Starboat" on their sides, were greeted earlier in the day about 40 miles west of Haifa by two Israeli warplanes that zoomed over them and gave them two victory rolls.

At Haifa, an oil company spokesman indicated the mission of the gunboats would be to supply and defend an Israeli-American oil drilling operation off the Israeli coast.

A spokesman for the Metiveli Mest Co. said the speedy, 147-foot craft would arrive late in the afternoon (10 a.m. EST) and newsmen could question some of the officers and a company representative at a news conference.

The gunboats had been slowed by gale winds in the eastern Mediterranean, but the winds calmed at dawn.

The boats slipped out of Cherbourg harbor at 3 a.m. Christmas morning, evading the French government's embargo on arms to Israel. They were part of a flotilla of 12 built for Israel, but the other seven were delivered before the embargo was clamped on last January.

The French government said the boats had been sold to a Norwegian company for offshore oil drilling operations. It asserted the departure of the boats, manned by Israeli crews, was a complete surprise. But newsmen investigating in Cherbourg found strong indications that a number of high French officials knew in advance that the boats would be leaving and did nothing to stop them.

Authoritative political sources in Jerusalem said Foreign Minister Abba Eban told French Ambassador Francois Hure at a meeting Monday that the boats would be used for civilian purposes.

The newspaper Maariv said the government would also take steps to demonstrate to the world that the boats were brought to Israel for "peaceful purposes."

It said a reception would be given for the ships on their arrival by the Maritime Fruit Carriers Ltd., the Israeli shipping company which apparently bankrolled the paper corporation that bought the boats from France.

The director of Maritime Fruit said Monday the boats would be used to supply offshore drilling operations.

This Middle-aged Girl Watcher Has to Tell About His Operation

By HAL BOYLE

NEW YORK (AP) — Probably you've been so busy lately getting Santa Claus into and out of town that you haven't even heard of my operation.

Well, it was a corker—a 13-inch incision, more than 100 stitches. If you'll just hold my cane and let me get a firm grip on your lapels, I'll tell you the whole story—right from the horse's mouth.

To begin with, I'd like to deny the malicious office gossip that my injury last Nov. 5 happened while I was sprinting up Broadway trying to get a better view of a girl in a miniskirt. It was a rainy day, and as any middle-aged girl watcher knows, it is pointless to try to indulge his hobby in the rain. The moisture fogs up his bifocals.

The fact is that, emerging from a Chinese restaurant with a stomach full of egg foo yung and fortune cookies, I saw an empty cab across the street. To catch a cab on a rainy day is every New Yorker's lifelong dream. So I headed for it full steam.

I don't know whether it was the extra weight of the egg foo yung or the fortune cookies, but

North Vietnam to Let POWs Receive Mail, Packages From Home

By LEWIS GULICK
 Associated Press Writer
 WASHINGTON (AP) — North Vietnam apparently is planning to allow for the first time a regular mailing of packages to U.S. prisoners of war from their families, at a rate of one package to each POW every two months.

In reporting this, government officials here said U.S. postal arrangements have been made to receive the packages from next of kin for shipment to Hanoi. They assume the first month for the regular mailings will be next February.

Speculation here is that Hanoi is making this move as part of an effort to allay international criticism. It recently has started providing some families with information on whether men believed held are dead or alive.

At the same time, U.S. officials are calling for the North Vietnamese to do much more to meet Geneva Convention terms for prisoner of war treatment.

In an unusual action, U.S. envoy Philip D. Habib handed enemy negotiators in Paris Tuesday a list of 1,406 American servicemen missing in action in Southeast Asia and called on the North Vietnamese to "indicate which men are prisoners and those whom you know to be dead."

Washington information indicates more than 400 are held captive. Most are fliers downed during the U.S. bombing of North Vietnam.

Despite the Geneva Convention stipulation that a prisoner list should be supplied, Hanoi has not done so to date. Nor has it allowed outside inspection of prisoner camps or regular mail.

U.S. officials said two American anti-war activists who recently returned from Hanoi reported that families of prisoners could send a letter a month and a package of less than six pounds every other month.

The mail is supposed to be addressed to the prisoner by name and serial number, care of "Camp of Detention for U.S. Pilots Captured in the Democratic Republic of Viet-Nam, Hanoi."

Would Explain Convention Work

LITTLE ROCK (AP) — Dr. Robert A. Leflar of Fayetteville, president of the state Constitutional Convention, has named a committee to prepare an explanation of convention work for the voters.

Committee members are Leflar, Robert Meriwether of Conway, James Ross Jr. of Monticello, Vance Seurlock of Jonesboro, and Mrs. Dorothy Stuck of Marked Tree.

The convention meets next month for a final review of the proposed new constitution, which will be offered to voters in the 1970 general election.

halfway across the street I felt something snap in my right calf with a sound like the ripping of a sail in the wind.

For two weeks I was bedfast at home with a leg swollen to the size of Jackie Gleason's girth. When I finally was able to hobble to an orthopedist, he told me I had torn loose muscles, tendons and ligaments in the calf, and that they required an immediate job of needlepoint or people would be calling me "gimpy" for the rest of my life.

Well, after 12 days, they threw me out of the hospital, cast and all. I had to two-stick it out on crutches.

"I could have let you stay a couple more days," said the doctor, "but the porter on the floor refused to mop your room longer because you bragged so much about your operation he couldn't keep his mind on his work."

"But it was an unusual operation," I argued. "Didn't you say it took more than a hundred stitches and that you had to

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DRVN," with the notation "Via Mosco" (cq).

Letters just arrived from some of the prisoners indicates they have been given similar information, the officials said.

Previously, Hanoi had allowed in packages for the prisoners only three times, they said: Christmas 1968, July 1969 and Christmas 1969. The North Vietnamese have permitted families to send non-perishable foods, medicines and personal articles.

Letters to the men have been delivered intermittently.

Court-martial Ordered in My Lai Case

FT. HOOD, Tex. (AP) — S. Sgt. David Mitchell's commanding officer issued orders today to court-martial the sergeant on charges of assault with intent to commit murder during the alleged My Lai massacre in Vietnam last March.

The charges contend that Sgt. Mitchell fired a rifle at a group of Vietnamese civilians.

The order followed widespread investigations, including a lengthy secret session by officers in a room deep in the Pentagon.

Mitchell in a news conference this month said that he saw no massacre at My Lai.

The sergeant's immediate superior, Lt. William L. Calley Jr., had been charged with premeditated murder.

The decision to court-martial Mitchell was made by Maj. Gen. John K. Boles Jr., commander of the 1st Armored Division stationed here.

A Ft. Hood spokesman said that Mitchell will remain free pending his trial and that he will continue his duties as a company non-commissioned officer in this sprawling post in Central Texas.

The general, in a formal statement, said no date for the court-martial has been set. A date, he said, will depend on when the prosecution and defense lawyers are ready.

The general's statement hinted that secret military information may be brought up at the court-martial, for he said the panel hearing the testimony could ban spectators when necessary to "prevent unauthorized disclosure of classified security information."

The charges said that the alleged assault was committed on 30 persons "more or less." Mitchell, 29, is from St. Francisville, La., and said he is a career soldier.

He told newsmen at the Pentagon last Saturday that, "I am not guilty."

The charge and specifications: "Violation of Article 134 in that S. Sgt. David Mitchell, United States Army Co. C, 5th Battalion, 6th Infantry, 1st Armored Division, Ft. Hood, Tex., did at My Lay (Son My village) Quang Ngai Province, Republic of Vietnam on or about 16 March, 1968 with intent to commit murder commit an assault upon a group of 30 Vietnamese nationals, more or less, by shooting at them with an M16 rifle."

Seeks Higher Pay for Workers

FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. (AP) — State Sen. Richard Earl Griffin of Crossett told a Kiwanis Club meeting here Tuesday that he wanted state employees to have higher salaries.

Gov. Winthrop Rockefeller has indicated that the issue will be among those he will call to the attention of a special session of the legislature in February.

Griffin said a study showed that Arkansas is losing "qualified, dedicated" personnel because of low pay.

Named to Fill Vacated Post

LITTLE ROCK (AP)—James F. Cross, an insurance man from Pine Bluff, was named Tuesday to fill the state Workmen's Compensation Commission post left vacant by the death this month of O. W. Holmes.

Wholesale Prices Keep Spiraling

By NEIL GILBRIDE
 AP Labor Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Government statistics show wholesale prices climbed 4.7 per cent in 1969 for the steepest rise in 20 years, adding more fuel to the argument over whether President Nixon's policies can slow inflation.

"It all adds up to the probability that the cost of living is going to continue rising at a fast clip," said Nathaniel Goldfinger, chief economist for the 13.6 million member AFL-CIO.

But Secretary of Labor George P. Shultz, in a separate interview, said White House policies of federal budget cuts, high interest and tight money are beginning to work. "Inflation isn't continuing unabated," Shultz said.

And Nixon, in signing the tax reform bill Tuesday, indicated even tougher federal budget restrictions to offset tax losses.

"It will make our fight against the rising cost of living more difficult," Nixon said of the estimated \$2.5 billion a year government revenue loss from the new tax law.

With one month's figures to go, the Labor Department's Consumer Price Index measuring typical American living costs is up 5.5 per cent for 1969, steepest rise since the 5.9 per cent for all of 1951, a year in

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Ambulance Service Is Discussed

County Judge, Finis Odom, is still trying to work out some solution to the problem of establishing ambulance service when the local mortuaries cease furnishing service, as they have announced they would do on January 1. The City Directors, hospitals, and some of the doctors have been working with the County Judge in coming up with some plan that would serve Hempstead County.

A committee appointed by Judge Odom met on Monday night with Mr. Jim Wilson, president of the JJ Ambulance Company of Batesville. The company is operating the ambulance service in Batesville and Newport, Arkansas, and Kennel, Missouri. This company is interested in setting up an operation in Hempstead County but their plan involves local financing. Mr. Wilson also said that any successful operation would have to have local doctors and hospitals represented on the board of directors to provide continuing evaluation of the service and to quickly recognize any breakdown in the operation.

Judge Odom had called a meeting of City and County officials, local doctors, hospitals, and the present ambulance operators on December 23, at which time the committee was appointed to study the question and make a recommendation. A meeting of this same group was held Tuesday night, at which time the committee recommended that JJ Ambulance Company representatives be called back to fully explain their proposal. It was the committee's recommendation that a private operation, if at all possible, might provide much more efficient operation.

Other alternatives that have been suggested include setting up ambulance operations at the County Hospital, at the Fire Department, the Police Department, and also subsidizing the present ambulance operations. The local mortuaries have said, however, that they would not continue even under an arrangement that would guarantee them against loss in the ambulance operation.

At the meeting Tuesday night, the group voted to invite the JJ Ambulance Company to come back and fully explain their proposal to a meeting of all interested citizens and business concerns. This meeting will be scheduled as quickly as possible and all interested people will be asked to attend.

Interest Rates to Be Boosted Again on FHA and VA Home Loans

By ROBERT K. WALKER
 Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Maximum interest rates allowed on government-insured FHA and VA home loans will be boosted for the second time within a year, becoming a record 8½ per cent as of next Monday.

Secretary of Housing George Romney said Tuesday he was reluctantly approving the increase from the current 7½ per cent maximum which has been in effect only since last Jan. 24.

The announcement was bad news for prospective home buyers who had hoped to see a stabilizing or reduction of interest rates which have been spiraling since early in 1966 when the limit was 5½ per cent for the loans backed by the Federal Housing Administration and Veterans Administration.

Romney said he had delayed

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Allies Start New Year's Truce

By GEORGE ESPER
 Associated Press Writer

SAIGON (AP) — American and South Vietnamese forces suspended combat operations Wednesday night for a 24-hour New Year's truce after reporting more than 200 enemy killed during the previous hours of the Viet Cong's unilateral ceasefire. It was one of the highest enemy death tolls in more than a month.

The 72-hour Viet Cong ceasefire began at 1 a.m. Tuesday and the allied truce at 6 p.m. Wednesday.

South Vietnamese headquarters said it had halted 50 offensive operations of battalion size or larger.

The U.S. Command said all planned air and artillery strikes across South Vietnam were suspended, but reconnaissance patrols continued to check on enemy troops building up for a possible attack after the ceasefire. "All measures will be taken to insure security of our troops and installations," a spokesman said, presumably meaning that air and artillery support would be used if deemed necessary.

The ceasefire did not affect American air operations over Laos, B52 strategic bombers and smaller fighter-bombers kept up heavy raids on North Vietnamese supply routes and depots in eastern Laos.

Only a few hours before the allied ceasefire began, two waves of B52s attacked suspected North Vietnamese positions in the northern end of the A Shau Valley, two miles from the Laotian border. The valley connects with trails from Laos, where allied intelligence says a

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All Around Town

By The Star Staff

Building, State Sanatorium, Ark.

The STEAM will present a benefit concert for the March of Dimes on Friday, January 2, in Little Rock at Robinson Auditorium. . . it will be from 8 to 12 and admission will be \$3 per person.

Paul Henley announces there will be a dance at the Hope Youth Center on Saturday, January 3 from 8:30 p.m. to midnight. . . entertainment will be by the "Rock Creek Reunion" and admission is \$4 per couple. . . only couples will be admitted to this dance.

Despite horrible weather for the past couple of days City Police report that everything is real quite with no accidents. . . there was some sleet and snow but not enough to record, says the Experiment Station.

This newspaper will go to press about noon New Year's Day so that all employees may see those Razorbacks take on Mississippi in the Sugar Bowl.

Friends will be sorry to learn that James H. (Pod) Porterfield is a patient in Booneville. . . his address is the Nyberg

Storm Leaves Arkansas for East

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The winter storm that dumped up to 10 inches of snow in parts of North Arkansas this week has moved out of Arkansas and into the New England area.

Predicted subfreezing temperatures indicate the snow will stay on the ground for awhile. Driving conditions are still hazardous in northern portions of the state.

Cloudy skies remain behind in the wake of the worst storm of the winter for Arkansas, but skies are expected to clear over the state tonight. No precipitation is in the forecast.

Thursday should see sunny weather in the north and variable cloudiness south and warmer. Lows tonight will be mostly in the 20s.

The snowfall that blanketed the Ozarks Mountain areas of the state Monday spread southward and eastward through Tuesday before ending Tuesday night.

Flurries reached Little Rock and other Central Arkansas points. Clouds of snowflakes fell on such East Arkansas cities as Jonesboro late Tuesday.

Roads were snow-clogged and iced-over at many points and the State Police asked that motorists use great caution when traveling in icy areas.

Three deaths have been caused in traffic accidents in which the weather was a factor.

Harrison's snowfall ranked among the largest depths, with 10 inches measured at Boone County Airport, where Frontier Airlines has had no flights since Saturday because of inclement weather.

Other snow depths included five inches at Fayetteville and two at Fort Smith in the 24-hour period ended at 6 p.m. Tuesday.

Temperatures above the freezing mark made the precipitation rain over most of the state, and, in the 24-hours up to 6 p.m. Tuesday, rainfall measured 1.10 inches at Texarkana, 1.15 at El Dorado and almost an inch at Little Rock and Memphis.

The rain, sleet and snow ended Tuesday night, but in many places a glaze of ice was on trees, power lines and the ground.

Precipitation reported for the 24-hour period ended at 6:30 a.m. today included a trace at Fayetteville, which has five inches of snow already on the ground; a trace at Harrison; .51 at Jonesboro which has one inch of snow; .44 at Pine Bluff; .35 at Blytheville which has one inch of snow; .22 at Texarkana; .90 at El Dorado; .45 at Memphis; .28 at Little Rock, and .16 at Fort Smith, which has two inches of snow on the ground.

Overnight lows around the state included 31 at Pine Bluff and Memphis, 15 at Fayetteville, 19 at Harrison, 26 at Jonesboro, 29 at Blytheville, 30 at Texarkana, 33 at El Dorado, 28 at Little Rock and 21 at Fort Smith.

Cost Overrun Is Threat To U.S. Navy

WASHINGTON (AP) — A new trend in contractor claims that add millions of dollars to shipbuilding costs has been characterized by Chief of Naval Operations Thomas H. Moorer as a threat to the Navy's very existence.

Gordon W. Rule, director of Navy procurement control, told the House-Senate subcommittee on economy Tuesday that shipbuilders have filed more than \$1 billion in claims against the Navy—some of them "with no merit at all"—in hopes that they can win at least part of the money through negotiations.

Rule said Moorer wrote the Naval Materiel Command last March that the basing of contractor claims on such alleged cost-boosting Navy actions as last-minute contract changes must be corrected.

Moorer added: "We must take action now or ultimately lose our entire Navy."

Moorer's letter did not elaborate and neither did Rule.